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In re application of :
Xiong Zhang et al. : DECISION ON
Serial No. 09/700,236 : PETITION
Filed: May 9, 2001 :
For: CRYSTAL GROWTH METHOD FOR GROUP-III NITRIDE :
AND RELATED COMPOUND SEMICONDUCTORS :

This is a response to the PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT AND REQUEST TO REINSTATE APPLICATION, filed December 13, 2002, which requests that the abandonment of November 27, 2002 be withdrawn since the applicants did timely file a proper response on November 8, 2002. (A copy of the AMENDMENT with certification of mailing on November 8, 2002 is attached to the instant petition.)

DECISION

The instant request has been accepted as a petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.181 (no fee) - no abandonment-in-fact. The evidence provided is sufficient to establish that the amendment was filed on November 8, 2002. The amendment will be forwarded to the examiner for entry and response in due course.

The Petition is **GRANTED**.

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